



# Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste

## Comment Sheet

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I request that these comments be made a part of the official record.

### **Violates the Treaty of Ruby Valley.**

- 1 • The DEIS fails to address the Western Shoshone protest of the use of land outlined in the 1863 Treaty of Ruby Valley with the United States. Use of their aboriginal land for the dumping of nuclear waste is outside of the scope of the treaty.
- The Western Shoshone National Council contend that their ancestors would never have signed the Treaty of Ruby Valley had they been able foresee the dumping of such a substance as nuclear waste on their land.
- The Western Shoshone Nation has declared their land, Newe Sogobia, nuclear free.

Please note: For your comment(s) to be considered in the Final Environmental Impact Statement, your comment(s) need to be received by the Department of Energy by February 9, 2000. To the extent practicable the Department will consider comments received after February 9.